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Applicant(s): Cain

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Dear Sir:

Not recommended for entry LV 12/8/03

In response to the Final Office Action of October 2, 2003, please amend the claims to this application as shown on the sheets attached hereto, which have been amended according to current PTO practice.

REMARKS

Reconsideration and further examination is respectfully requested. Claims 7 and 12 are cancelled by way of the attached amendment to the claims. Claims 1-6, 8-11 and 13-15 remain pending in this application.

Claim 1 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter of the invention. Claim 1 has been amended, and in view of the amendment it is submitted that the claim is now clear and that the rejection has been overcome and should be withdrawn.